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In re U.S. Patent Application of)
WATANABE et al.) Art Unit 2818
Application Number: 10/773,437)
Filed: February 9, 2004) Examiner Tan X. Dinh
For: Optical Recording Method Using) ·)
MULTIPLEXER AND PLURAL PIECES OF)
DATA BITS (AS AMENDED))
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COVER LETTER

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[x] The fee for submission of claims is calculated as shown below:

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Total Claims	15	16	(Over 20)	x \$50	0
Independent Claims	3	3	(Over 3)	x \$200	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$360	0
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In addition, the below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

[x] Response to Office Action	[] Petition for Extension of Time (month)
(with Claim Amendments)	[] Terminal Disclaimer
[] Substitute Specification	[x] Letter to Draftsperson w/5 sheets
[] Preliminary Amendment	of replacement drawings
[] Information Disclosure Statement	[] Other

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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This is in response to the Office Action mailed on May 25, 2007, the period of response to which is set to expire on August 25, 2007. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: